

House Resolution 246

By: Representatives Mills of the 25th, Hembree of the 67th, Rogers of the 26th, Smith of the 113th, Collins of the 27th, and others

A RESOLUTION

1 Urging the Board of Regents of the University System of Georgia and its member institutions
2 to establish programs for intercollegiate wrestling; and for other purposes.

3 WHEREAS, competitive wrestling is one of the most difficult sports to master and requires
4 strength, agility, stamina, physical conditioning, self-discipline, technical proficiency, and
5 strategy and adaptation; and

6 WHEREAS, Georgia is blessed with a number of outstanding high school wrestling
7 programs which produce extraordinarily talented young wrestlers; and

8 WHEREAS, many of these young wrestlers desire to continue competing at the collegiate
9 level and seek scholarship opportunities to continue participating in their sport; and

10 WHEREAS, none of the 35 member institutions of the University System of Georgia offers
11 competitive intercollegiate wrestling at the present time; and

12 WHEREAS, the lack of opportunity for competition in intercollegiate wrestling and the lack
13 of scholarship opportunities result in talented student-athletes leaving the State of Georgia
14 to pursue their sport in colleges and universities in other states.

15 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES that
16 the members of this body urge the Board of Regents of the University System of Georgia and
17 its member institutions to establish programs for intercollegiate wrestling to prevent the
18 further loss of talented student-athletes from Georgia.

19 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Clerk of the House of Representatives is authorized
20 and directed to transmit an appropriate copy of this resolution to the Board of Regents.